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Subject: SI and H Experimentation, 23 September 1953

On 23 September 1953, SI and H experimentation and research was carried on in Building 13, Room 20, by [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] using [redacted] and [redacted] as subjects.

A [redacted] tried the "falling back" test with [redacted] and [redacted] and both tests were successful. [redacted] then took [redacted] and induced her in a light trance and then awakened her and induced her again and while she was sleeping he took [redacted] in a prone position and attempted to induce a trance. [redacted] was directed to continue to sleep while [redacted] went back to [redacted]. While he was talking to [redacted] [redacted] awakened with a start. She was reassured and then awakened. [redacted] was later induce in a prone position where she achieved a deeper trance and anesthesia was successfully induced in her leg.

Later the general relaxation technique was used with both girls. [redacted] went into a light trance but [redacted] did not. Finally we tried the pendulum test with the circle and cross lines. Both of these girls' attempt to co-operate too much and in this sense are attempting to act in the early stages. As far as I know, [redacted] has never been put into a deep trance and subconsciously fights induction and a plausible explanation of her start was that she awakened and feared she would be trapped into hypnosis. I feel if we are going to work quickly with the girls in an attempt to produce a scenario it would be better to drop [redacted]. In any event, I believe [redacted] and [redacted] should be separated as one influences the actions of the other. I feel [redacted] could be developed into a good subject.